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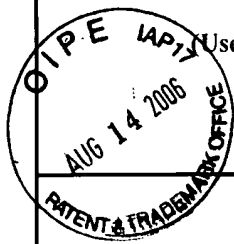
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	1.	Mani et al., "Multi-document summarization by graph search and matching," Database Compendex (Online), Engineering Information, Inc., New York, NY, US, Database Accession No. EIX98354279423, XP002384478, 1997
	2.	McKeown et al., "Generating Summaries of Multiple News Articles," SIGIR '95. Proceedings of the 18th Annual International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval, Seattle, July 9-13, 1995, pp. 74-82

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